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In re the Application of: **Hiroshi YOSHIDA et al.**

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For: **FERROMAGNETIC GROUP IV-BASED SEMICONDUCTOR OR
FERROMAGNETIC GROUP III-V-BASED OR GROUP II-VI-BASED
COMPOUND SEMICONDUCTOR, AND METHOD FOR ADJUSTING
FERROMAGNETIC CHARACTERISTICS THEREOF**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.